

House Bill 163

By: Representatives Porter of the 143rd, Hugley of the 133rd, Smyre of the 132nd, Randall of the 138th, Ashe of the 56th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Subpart 10 of Part 3 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to grants to children of Georgia National Guard Members, so as to provide for grants for postsecondary education to members of the national guard under certain conditions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Subpart 10 of Part 3 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to grants to children of Georgia National Guard Members, is amended by striking in its entirety Code Section 20-3-480, relating to definitions, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"20-3-480.

As used in this subpart, the term:

(1) 'Approved school' means the same schools as enumerated in Code Section 20-3-391 relative to the state student incentive grant program.

(2) 'Eligible student' means:

(A) A person who is a member of the national guard or has been honorably discharged from the national guard in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 38, who has been called to active duty for a period of not less than 90 consecutive days, who has been a resident of this state for a period of at least 12 months immediately prior to the date of registration in an approved school, and who remains a citizen of this state while receiving funds under this subpart; or

(B) A a person 25 years of age or younger who has been a resident of this state for a period of at least 12 months immediately prior to the date of registration in an approved school, who remains a citizen of the state while receiving funds under this subpart, and who is a child of a member of the Georgia National Guard as such term is defined in Code Section 38-2-3 who is killed or missing in action or totally and permanently

1 disabled while on active duty in the service of the United States or of this state, and
2 who was a resident of the State of Georgia at the time he or she was killed, reported as
3 missing in action, or totally and permanently disabled. If such student is the adopted
4 child of any such member of the Georgia National Guard, such student must have been
5 adopted in a final order of adoption prior to the date that such member was killed,
6 reported as missing in action, or totally and permanently disabled."

7 **SECTION 2.**

8 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.